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1. In about July 1951 the Chinese Communist East China Military and Administrative Committee ordered all subordinate government units of the district to form "National Defense Health Workers Mobilization Committees" for the following activities:

- Mobilize medical personnel for army hospitals in rear areas.
- Organize volunteer medical units for service in Korea.
- Recruit medical doctors from private practice for service with government hospitals.

2. In mid-August most wounded soldiers from the Korean front hospitalized in Canton were tired of war, and recently some who had heard rumors that they would be used as army replacements when released from hospitals have fled from the hospitals and deserted the army. As a result of this, a large number of political workers have been assigned to army hospitals in the Canton area to maintain a close check on wounded soldiers and to prevent their deserting the army.

1. Comment. In some cases private doctors who refused to serve in army hospitals are subject to arrest,

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